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Subject: RE: Ringwood Mines - Request for Extension of Public Comment Period
Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 11:04:00 AM

Dear Chief Mann,

We have received your request for an additional extension to the public comment period on the OU3 Proposed Plan for the Ringwood Mines/Landfill Superfund site. In your request, you note that you require additional time to receive information from partner Universities in order to complete specific comments on the Proposed Plan. Please note that EPA will be providing an additional extension to the public comment period, as EPA considers public input a vital component of the remedy selection process. The public comment period on the OU3 Proposed Plan will now end on May 4, 2020. As always, please feel free to contact me if you have concerns regarding the site.

Joe

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From: chiefmaanis [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2020 10:09 AM
To: Gowers, Joe <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Ringwood Mines - Request for Extension of Public Comment Period

Good morning Joe again hope you are safe and well....

As you well know that giving the current situation facing our country and the world it leads to many who have concerns about the Ringwood Mines Superfund Site to not have this at the forefront of there minds as they battle with the anxiety of the unknown.

Also as you were made aware that we have other information that I still need to pass on to you and the EPA, which I am currently working on.

We also work closely with Universities who also find themselves and the work they do with and for us disrupted and we rely heavily on their guidance as we do not have paid experts to speak on our behalf.

Giving us this time will allow for us to have complete specific comments that given the time will reflect our concerns for this site currently as well as into the future.

Also we still have the remains of one of our people who's life was lost in Cannon Mine and we together need to address this in an amenable way.

Stay safe and blessings

Chief Mann

Turtle Clan Chief

Ramapough Lunaape Nation

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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From: "Gowers, Joe" <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov>

Date: 3/25/20 9:57 AM (GMT-05:00)

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Ringwood Mines - Request for Extension of Public Comment Period

Hi Chief Mann – My management is currently considering your request for an extension of the public comment period on the OU3 Proposed Plan. It would be helpful if you could explain why you believe that you need another 60 days to provide comments on the Proposed Plan. I will pass this information on to EPA management for their consideration. Thank you and stay safe.

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